

Sincerely,

Valerie Brooks
44506 McKenzie Hwy
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From: Kaitlin Davis
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sun, Apr 6, 2003 11:42 AM
Subject: Broadcasting company regulations

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I was recently watching a PBS news broadcast, on a show called "Now", about the FCC and its consideration of removing or changing some regulations which now limit large broadcasting companies' ability to expand. It disturbs me greatly that this may be allowed to happen. I think that if these broadcasting companies are allowed to become monopolies it would threaten the liberty of my people, the American people. I greatly value the freedom of the press and I think that no one should be able to threaten that freedom, even the press itself.

I greatly appreciate your time and would greatly appreciate a response.

Thank you,
Kaitlin Davis
Madison, WI resident

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